

LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE

Denis Wigham & Tony Clare Quarter-Finals 18/04/16 Questions set by Gregson A & Lancaster C & SC B

(Note to QMs: information in **CAPITALS** is essential for a correct answer. Information in brackets is optional.)

ROUND 1 QUARTER-FINALS (All questions or answers contain the words 'quarter' or 'final').

- 1a** In 1993, the line 'Sorry, we're closed' was the last line of 'One for the Road', the final episode of which long-running US television series? **CHEERS**
- 1b** Lady Day, Michaelmas Day and Christmas Day are three of the four English quarter days. What is the other one? **MIDSUMMER DAY**
- 2a** The greater part of the desert area called the 'Empty Quarter' or Rub' al Khali is located in which country? **SAUDI ARABIA.**
- 2b** In the 2006 football World Cup, England reached the quarter-finals, but were knocked out on penalties. By which team? **PORTUGAL**
- 3a** Considered one of the greatest quarterbacks in American Football, he played for San Francisco 49ers from 1979 to 1992, leading them to four Super Bowl titles. His nickname was 'Joe Cool'. Who was he? **(Joe) MONTANA**
- 3b** 'Time on our Hands', broadcast in December 1996 and which centred on the discovery of a watch made by John Harrison, was the final episode of which long-running television series? **ONLY FOOLS AND HORSES**
- 4a** Which band had a hit in 1986 with 'The Final Countdown'? **EUROPE**
- 4b** Who was the final Plantagenet monarch of England? **RICHARD III**
- Spare** A 'Quarter Section' is a term for a quarter of a square mile. How many acres in a Quarter Section? **160**

ROUND 2 INSECTS & CREEPY-CRAWLIES (All question or answers include an insect or a creepy-crawly).

- 1a** Which group had a UK number one hit single in 1981 with 'Stand and Deliver'? **ADAM and the ANTS.**
- 1b** According to the Bible, what was the eighth plague of Egypt? **LOCUSTS.**
- 2a** In American terminology, what does the acronym WASP stand for? **WHITE ANGLO-SAXON PROTESTANT**
- 2b** Who played the female lead opposite Harrison Ford in the 1986 film *Mosquito Coast*? **HELEN MIRREN**
- 3a** Who played the male lead in the 1986 Sci-Fi horror film *The Fly*? **JEFF GOLDBLUM.**
- 3b** Which current Barclays Premier League club is nicknamed The Hornets? **WATFORD**
- 4a** Which nocturnal African mammal feeds on ants and termites? **AARDVARK (accept PANGOLIN)**
- 4b** What word means a beetle-shaped amulet highly popular amongst ancient Egyptians? **SCARAB**
- Spare** A 'spider' is a piece of equipment used in which sport? **SNOOKER**

ROUND 3 LOVERS (Who are these pairs of lovers? 1 point for one, both needed for the pass).

- 1a** He was the first prime minister of an independent India; she was the wife of the man who negotiated the transfer of power. **(Jawaharlal) NEHRU and (Edwina) MOUNTBATTEN**
- 1b** In legend, she killed herself when he abandoned her in his desire to found the new Troy. **DIDO and AENEAS**
- 2a** He was born in Bristol, she in Naples. Their affair began on the set of the 1957 film, *The Pride and the Passion*. **(Cary) GRANT and (Sophia) LOREN**
- 2b** He was a twentieth century prime minister; she was the MP for South Derbyshire? **(John) MAJOR and (Edwina) CURRIE**
- 3a** He was the bass player of the Sex Pistols, who allegedly murdered her in the Chelsea Hotel, New York. **(Sid) VICIOUS (accept BEVERLEY or RITCHIE) and (Nancy) SPUNGEN**
- 3b** He was a Seattle-based musician who shot himself in 1994; she was lead singer with the band Hole. **(Kurt) COBAIN and (Courtney) LOVE**
- 4a** In myth, she faded away almost to nothing because he loved not her but only himself. **ECHO and NARCISSUS**
- 4b** She was a Scandinavian film star; he was an Italian film director. **(Ingrid) BERGMAN and (Roberto) ROSSELINI**
- Spare** He was a twelfth century theologian; she was a nun. **ABELARD and HELOISE**

ROUND 4 PARIS (Teams are advised not to enter into discussion around questions 1b and 2a).

- 1a** Name one of the two islands in the Seine in central Paris. **ÎLE DE LA CITÉ/ÎLE ST LOUIS**
- 1b** In which year were the 'Chariots of Fire' summer Olympics held in Paris? **1924**
- 2a** In which year did the other Paris summer Olympics take place? **1900**
- 2b** Which mainline Paris railway station is named after a Napoleonic victory? **(Gare d') AUSTERLITZ**
- 3a** Plaster of Paris is a dehydrated form of what substance? **GYP SUM**
- 3b** What is the term for the Paris suburbs, which have become associated with social deprivation, racial tension, anti-social violence and potential terrorist activity? **BANLIEUS**
- 4a** In Victor Hugo's novel, what is the name of girl beloved of Quasimodo, the Hunchback of Notre Dame? **ESMERALDA**
- 4b** Name one of the two Top 14 rugby union teams based in Paris. **RACING 92/STADE FRANÇAIS**
- Spare** Which chemical element derives its name from the Latin word for Paris? **LUTETIUM**

ROUND 5 HERTFORD (All questions relate to the county town of Hertfordshire, with a bit of Hatfield thrown in).

- 1a** The original Hatfield House was the childhood home and favourite residence of which English monarch? **ELIZABETH I**
- 1b** Educated near Hertford, the England rugby union international hooker Jamie George plays for which Aviva Premiership club? **SARACENS**
- 2a** Who, born in Hertford in 1993, had a world-wide hit in 2014 with the song 'Budapest'? **(George) EZRA**
- 2b** He was MP for Hertford during the years 1874-1885. Which future prime minister's political career was allegedly helped by his uncle, the prime minister Robert 'Bob' Cecil (Lord Salisbury), as in 'Bob's your uncle'? **(A J) BALFOUR**
- 3a** Born in Hertford in 1893, who created the air ace James Bigglesworth? **(Captain) W E JOHNS**
- 3b** Hatfield, a few miles from Hertford, has roads called Mosquito Way and Gipsy Moth Avenue, among others similar. Which company made aeroplanes in the town from 1920 until 1964? **DE HAVILLAND**
- 4a** Michael Dobbs, educated at Hertford Grammar School, created the monstrous Francis Urquhart in his novels 'House of Cards', 'To Play the King' and 'The Final Cut'. Who played Urquhart in the British TV adaptation of these books? **(Ian) RICHARDSON**
- 4b** The city of Hartford in the USA was founded in 1636 by, among others, the Rev. Samuel Stone of Hertford, England and in whose honour the American name was bestowed. Of which US state is it the capital? **CONNECTICUT**
- Spare** Educated in Hertford, who plays Ron Weasley in the Harry Potter films? **(Rupert) GRINT**

ROUND 6 DANCE

- 1a** Who had a number 4 hit single with *Dancing in the Street* in 1969? **MARTHA REEVES AND THE VANDELLAS**
- 1b** In which town is the Furry (or Floral) Dance performed? **HELSTON**
- 2a** Who was the first celebrity winner of Strictly Come Dancing? **(Natasha) KAPLINSKI**
- 2b** Who had a number 7 hit single with *Dance to the Music* in 1968? **SLY AND THE FAMILY STONE**
- 3a** In which opera by Borodin are the Polovtsian Dances? **PRINCE IGOR**
- 3b** In which light opera by Offenbach is the Can Can performed? **ORPHEUS IN THE UNDERWORLD**
- 4a** In which US state did the zydeco originate? **LOUISIANA**
- 4b** In which country did the rumba originate? **CUBA**
- Spare** Which of the ancient Greek Muses is associated with dance? **TERPSICHORE**

ROUND 7 WORLD FOOD

- 1a Fillet steak, served on a crouton topped with paté de foie gras and served with a Madeira sauce. What is this dish called? **TOURNEDOS ROSSINI (accept TOURNEDOS)**
- 1b What is the main ingredient of the Mexican dip guacamole? **AVOCADO**
- 2a The Greek dish spanakopita is a pie whose filling is primarily cheese and which other ingredient? **SPINACH**
- 2b In Indian cuisine, what is the main ingredient of a raita? **YOGHURT**
- 3a The Italian dish osso bucco is made using what meat? **VEAL**
- 3b The Greeks call it loukoumi. What is it commonly known as in the UK? **TURKISH DELIGHT**
- 4a What word refers to a flat bread in Mexican cookery, or an omelette in Spanish? **TORTILLA**
- 4b What is the name of the paste made from ground roasted sesame seeds? It can be used on its own as a dip, but is also a major ingredient of hummus, amongst other things. **TAHINI**
- Spare** What is the name of the Scandinavian dish of raw, cured salmon and dill, often served on rye bread? **GRAVLAX or GRAVAD LAX**

ROUND 8 GENERAL

- 1a Schoolteacher Miss Hooley and PC Plum appear in which children's TV series? **BALAMORY**
- 1b How much is the new National Living Wage for workers aged 25 and over introduced into the UK on April 1, 2016? **£7.20 (not £9.00)**
- 2a The Great Barrier Reef lies in which sea (**not** ocean)? **CORAL (Sea)**
- 2b Dr Brown Bear and school teacher Miss Gazelle appear in which children's TV series? **PEPPA PIG**
- 3a As of April 2015, what is the cost of a basic non-exempt NHS prescription (per item) for patients in England? **£8.20**
- 3b The Russian city of Vladivostok stands on which sea? **(Sea of) JAPAN**
- 4a What seven letter word can mean a cold chisel used by stonemasons and bricklayers and also an item of bedding? **BOLSTER**
- 4b In 1981 the Limehouse Declaration announced the formation of which new UK political party? **SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (not the Liberal Democrats)**
- Spare** In the financial world, what does the letter w stand for in the organisation PwC? **WATERHOUSE**

TIE-BREAK ROUND (1) A PRICE ABOVE RUBIES

All questions or answers relate to precious stones, semi-precious stones or precious materials. Please note that the standard phrase 'precious material' is used throughout to indicate all three of these categories.

- 1a What precious material is associated with the town of Whitby in North Yorkshire? **JET**
- 1b In which modern country is Bizet's *The Pearl Fishers* set? **SRI LANKA**
- 2a What was the name of the Royal Navy ship trapped in the Yangtze River for three months in 1949 during the Chinese Civil War? **AMETHYST**
- 2b What precious material shares its name with a foul-mouthed racist created by Johnny Speight and played by Warren Mitchell? **GARNET**
- 3a What precious material is part of the nickname of a nation state of Europe? **EMERALD (Isle)**
- 3b What precious material is said to be unlucky and is the birthstone for October? **OPAL**
- 4a What precious material was the main source of the colour ultramarine? **LAPIS LAZULI**
- 4b What precious material is associated with a 35th wedding anniversary? **CORAL**
- Spare** Of what precious material is the Star of India made? **SAPPHIRE**

TIE-BREAK ROUND (2) POT POURRI

- 1a** What is the largest species of tiger? **SIBERIAN**
- 1b** Which US state is nicknamed both 'The Last Frontier' and 'Land of the Midnight Sun'? **ALASKA**
- 2a** *All My Sons* (1947) and *The Misfits* (1961) are plays written by which dramatist? **ARTHUR MILLER**
- 2b** What kind of animal is a bongo? **ANTELOPE**
- 3a** Which US state is nicknamed both 'The Apache State' and 'Land of Enchantment'? **ARIZONA**
- 3b** *The Birthday Party* (1957) and *The Dumb Waiter* (1957) are plays written by which dramatist? **HAROLD PINTER**
- 4a** In the Bible, who was the father of the apostles James and John? **ZEBEDEE**
- 4b** In the Bible, who was the mother of John the Baptist? **ELIZABETH**
- Spare** Who invented the cotton gin in 1783? **(Eli) WHITNEY**